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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTING BRIGHTNESS AND COLOR

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2005 and having a shortened period for response set to expire on February 24, 2005, the following remarks are provided.

I. Provisional Election of Claims Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.142

Applicant provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-14 in response to the preliminary restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action.

II. Applicant Traverses the Requirement

Insofar as Groups II, III, and IV are concerned, it is believed that claims 15-35 are so closely related to elected claims 1-14 that they should remain in the same application. The elected claims 1-14 are directed to an apparatus for adjusting brightness on a screen. Claims 15-23 and 28-35 are drawn to a method of adjusting brightness on screeen, a method of display adjustment on a screen, and a computer-readable medium encoded with instructions for implementains a method of adjusting brightness on a screen. Claims 24-27 are drawn to a display adjusting apparatus for a display.

MPEP §803 sets forth that "if the search and examineation of an entire application can be made without a serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions." Applicant submits that the Examiner

would find references for the contended "combination and subcombination" in the same field of technology. It is believed, moreover, that evaluation of all sets of claims would not provide an undue burden upon the Examiner at this time in comparison with the additional expense and delay to Applicant in having to protect the additional subject matter recited by the Group II, Group III, and Group IV claims by filing a divisional application(s).

The Examiner has not set forth why there would be a serious burden if restriction is required.

Even if the Examiner considers claims 23-28 and claims 29-38 to be a separate invention(s) from claims 1-22, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to consider claims 15-23 and 28-35 (Group II), claims 24-25 (Group III), and claims 26-27 (Group IV) together.

III. Conclusion

Upon review of references involved in this field of technology, Applicant submits it is upon reconsideration of the Examiner's initial restriction requirement, all of the pending claims should be examined in the subject application.

In view of the foregoing amendments, arguments and remarks, all claims are deemed to be allowable and this application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our deposit account number 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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